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MEMORANDUM FOR: Dr. John J. Martin

SUBJECT : Environmental Protection Agency Briefing

Jack -

With many thanks for your support, Dr. William Ruckelshaus and Dr. Stanley Greenfield of E.P.A. were signed into the system and briefed by Mr. Lundahl on Thursday, 13 July 1972. Mr. Eugene James of E.P.A., already cleared, was in attendance.

It went very well. They were quite interested, and amazed at the progress of photo reconnaissance technology. (Mr. Ruckelshaus, some 20-25 years ago, received photo interpretation training while in the Army.)

I believe we have opened a channel for an exchange of photo-technological information and techniques which will be of considerable mutual benefit.

Included in Mr. Lundahl's presentation were some excellent examples, some obtained by good fortune, of specific interest to E.P.A. in terms of their ecological significance.

We intend to follow up with Dr. Greenfield in an exchange of recent technological accomplishments.


Some surplus, but quite usable, items of equipment are in the process of being transferred from NPIC to E.P.A. for their laboratory use.

I believe this is a significant step forward. With your concurrence, I would like to expand on this progress. I feel that it is inevitable that there must be a transference of technology from the intelligence community to the "peaceful" agencies. In this regard I'll be contacting you shortly with regard to another agency, specifically the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration, involved in this field.

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All of this should lead to a revitalization of the ARGO effort. I'm certain that the total program will benefit from this.

Again, we appreciate your interest and support.


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